

# Amateur Commission

## SHIFTING PLAYERS TO MAKE STRONGER AMATEUR TEAMS

### Inclination of League Officials Leading to Probable Solution.

From all indications given in the few league meetings held the latter part of last week, and the action of the Sunday School League officials last night, there seems to be a tendency among the leagues to strengthen weaker teams as much as possible.

In looking over the amateur games, weak teams are seen in every league. Managers of former pennant winners have succeeded in keeping intact their good clubs, and on this account other teams have little show to recruit their weaker clubs. In many instances, the strong team jumps to the front and keeps the lead during the entire season, losing but one or two games throughout.

Some Strong Teams. Three or four teams stand out prominently in the leagues with pennant possibilities already. Petworth, in the Suburban League, looks good to many fans, although Parkview took the measure yesterday. Commerce and Labor, in the Departmental League, is apparently stronger than others, with a clean record to date. American Security, in the Bankers' League, is far and away ahead of the others in that circuit.

In the Capital City League, Sewage Pumping Station has gotten ahead with a sudden spurt, with a clean slate against all comers. Aloysius appears to have the jump on the clubs in the District League, while Willard, in the Commercial circuit, is getting ahead by consistent work.

The ease with which some of these teams are leading has brought some of the officials of the leagues to the realization that something must be done to keep the weaker teams in the circuit. The loss of many games seems to have kept these teams from doing their best work, and plans are now on foot in several circuits to strengthen the weaker teams.

Sets Good Example. The Sunday School League seems, in the opinion of many, to have taken the right step in allowing the weaker teams to recruit from the stronger ones which have an abundance of material. From indications, the other leagues will not be slow to accept this move, and the nations of amateur baseball will be able to see better and closer games if these suggestions of the Sunday School League are adopted.

President Young of the Amateur Commission, feels that interest in the leagues among players and fans can be stimulated to a greater degree if something can be done to even up the races at this early date and not allow the teams to go it practically alone at the top of the heap all season.

### Independence League.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.  
Shamrock, 9; National Union, 8.

Clubs	W.L.Pct.	Clubs	W.L.Pct.
St. Paul	5-1 .333	Nat. Union	2-3 .400
Kendall	3-1 .750	St. Martin	1-2 .333
Manhattan	2-1 .667	Shamrock	1-1 .500

TODAY—St. Paul vs. Manhattan, North Capitol and V streets northwest.

Today's game between Manhattan and St. Paul should prove a big drawing card for both of the teams are neighborhood nines.

Manager Parsley will probably use Greer and Ruppert as the battery, while Manager Donnelly is undecided which pair to use because of the poor showing of his team recently.

The league officials were very much gratified over the showing of the Shamrock boys yesterday. After such a crushing defeat on Saturday they came back strong yesterday and showed that they could beat the strongest hitting team in the league.

A daily increase in the crowd is easily discernable and the attendance at the present game should double that of McDevitt's field last season.

The pitching of O'Dea was much better than that of the opening game for Shamrock. He fanned eight in five innings and allowed four hits, but was a trifle wild, passing four. In tight places he was most effective, fanning two men twice when there was a man on base.

D. Breen made a splendid catch of Vickery's fly that ended the game. Had the ball gotten past him the National Union player would have had an easy home run.

### Yum Yums Lose.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 15.—In a thirteen-inning game played here yesterday afternoon between the Regulars and Yum Yums, of the Cardinal Athletic Club, the Regulars won by 4 to 3.

### Pool Tonight.

Strasburger and Goodman contend against each other for honors in the pool tournament at the Lamb's Club, tonight at 307 Ninth street northwest. Evans defeated A. Engle last night, 100 to 90, being the score.

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Ingram	3-1 .750	Anacostia	1-4 .200
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